

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Applicant's communication filed on 2/8/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 26-29, and 32 (Renumbered claims 1-5).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application

6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date 20070321.

7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9. ☐ Other _____


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DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is responsive to the Applicant's communication filed on 2/8/2007.
2. Claims 1-25 have been canceled, and claim 32 has been added.
3. Claims 26-32 are pending and presented for examination.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

4. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with attorney Raymond J. Werner (Reg. No. 34,752) on March 21, 2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

26. (Currently Amended) A method of incorporating time and time zone information for a directory listing of computer files, comprising:

receiving a directory listing command for listing computer files within the directory;
and

displaying a directory listing of computer files, wherein the directory listing of computer files includes time and time zone information associated with each of the computer files [[.]];

selecting a sorting order; sorting the directory listing of computer files in accordance with the sorting order; wherein the directory listing is sorted by specified regions, wherein the specified regions comprise geographic areas defined by longitude and latitude information; and displaying the directory listing of computer files in accordance with the sorting order.

27. (Currently Amended) A method of incorporating time and time zone information for a directory listing of computer files, comprising:

receiving a directory listing command for listing computer files within the directory;
and

displaying a directory listing of computer files, wherein the directory listing of computer files includes time and time zone information associated with each of the computer files;

selecting a sorting order; sorting the directory listing of computer files in accordance with the sorting order, wherein the directory listing is sorted by specified regions, wherein the specified regions comprise geographic areas defined by longitude and latitude information; and

displaying the directory listing of computer files in accordance with the sorting order.

29. (Currently Amended) A method of incorporating time and time zone information for a directory listing of computer files, comprising:

receiving a directory listing command for listing computer files within the directory;

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and

displaying a directory listing of computer files, wherein the directory listing of computer files includes time and time zone information associated with each of the computer files;

selecting a sorting order;

sorting the directory listing of computer files in accordance with the sorting order,
wherein the directory listing is sorted by specified regions, wherein the specified regions
comprise geographic areas defined by longitude and latitude information; and

displaying the directory listing of computer files in accordance with the sorting order.

30. Canceled

31. Canceled

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

5. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after allowance. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on February 8, 2007 has been entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

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6. The Examiner's actions clearly point out the reasons for rejection and the Applicant's reply explicitly presents reasons why the claims are patentable. In view of Applicant's amendment and remarks, filed February 8, 2007, Examiner has fully considered the amendment and remarks and believes they are deemed to be persuasive.

Claims 26-29, and 32 (Renumbered claims 1-5) are allowed in light of Applicants' arguments and in light of prior art made of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jacques Veillard whose telephone number is (571) 272-4086. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon. to Fri. from 9 AM to 4:30 PM, alt. Fri. off..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jeffrey Gaffin can be reached on (571) 272- 4146. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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